

order to move the cutting tool towards the table for cutting a workpiece, the cutting tool being movable between a first position substantially perpendicular to the table, a second position inclined in a first direction from the first position, and a third position inclined in a second direction from the first position, the second direction being opposite to the first direction;

a first fence assembly disposed on one side of the base, the first fence assembly comprising a first fixed fence attached to the base, and a first movable fence being interconnected with the first fixed fence; and

a second fence assembly disposed on the other side of the base, the second fence assembly comprising a second fixed fence attached to the base, and a second movable fence being interconnected with the second fixed fence.

14. (Amended) The miter saw of Claim 1, further comprising a first member attached to said first fixed fence for releasably holding the first movable fence in a predetermined position in relation to the first movable fence in a predetermined position in relation to the first fixed fence.

15. (Amended) The miter saw of Claim 14, further comprising a second member attached to said second fixed fence for releasably holding the second movable fence in a predetermined position in relation to the second fixed fence.

22. (Amended) A compound miter saw comprising:

a base;

a table rotatably supported by said base, said table and said base defining a first planar workpiece supporting surface;

a saw blade rotatably supported by said base;

an adjustable, laterally-extending, workpiece-supporting fence assembly, said fence assembly including a first fixed fence fixedly interconnected with the base and disposed on one side of the saw blade, and a movable fence selectively laterally movable and interconnected with the base and disposed on said one side of said saw blade, said first fixed fence defining a second planar workpiece supporting surface which extends a first distance from said first planar workpiece supporting surface and said movable fence defining a third planar workpiece supporting surface which extends a second distance from said first fixed fence, said first fixed fence and said movable fence being located on said one side of said saw blade, said second distance being greater than said first distance.

23. (Amended) A compound miter saw according to Claim 22, further comprising a second fixed fence fixedly interconnected with the base and disposed on an opposite side of the saw blade, said second fixed fence further defining said second planar workpiece-supporting surface.

24. (Amended) A compound miter saw according to Claim 23, wherein, said second fixed fence is integral with said first fixed fence.

25. (Amended) A compound miter saw according to Claim 22, further comprising a fixed clamping means fixedly interconnected to said base for selectively and clampingly securing said movable fence to the base.

26. (Amended) A compound miter saw according to Claim 22, further comprising a fixed clamping means fixedly interconnected to said base for selectively and clampingly securing said movable fence to the base, and a movable clamping means fixedly interconnected with said movable fence for selectively and clampingly securing said movable fence to the base.

Please cancel Claims 8, 9, 12, 13 and 16-21 without prejudice or disclaimer of the subject matter contained therein.